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REORGANIZE VOCATIONAL GYMNASIUMS, SCHOOLS  
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The application of Soviet experience in the realm of vocational training, as well as the fast development of the Bulgarian national economy, has brought about certain changes in the organization of vocational gymnasiums and schools.

In accordance with a decree of the Council of Ministers, the following fundamental changes will be made in vocational schools, as of the beginning of this scholastic year:

All existing mechanical and electrotechnical, industrial, commercial, tailoring, and dietetics gymnasiums, as well as gymnasiums for woodworking and interior decoration, will be called tekhnikums (technical schools). Industrial schools and auxiliary trade schools will be called industrial schools. The tekhnikums will train intermediate technical management personnel, and the industrial schools will train workers.

Mechanical and electrotechnical tekhnikums will be established at Burgas, Byala Slatina, Plovdiv, Kherlovo, Ruse, Kazanluk, Stalin, Gabrovo, Khaskovo, and Pleven. The Ruse tekhnikum will have a milling department. Tekhnikums for mechanical crafts will be established at Burgas, Vratsa, Kolarovgrad, Karlovo, Vazovgrad, Ruse, Sofia, Stanke Dimitrov, Kazanluk, Yambol, Tolbukhin, Gabrovo, and Gorna Oryakhovitsa, and tekhnikums for the study of electricity at Sofia and Radomir. Tekhnikums for the following specialties will also be established: for textiles, at Vratsa and Gabrovo; for industrial chemistry, at Stalin and Dimitrovgrad; for graphic arts, at Sofia; for leatherworking, at Lovech; and for ceramics, at Sofia.

Economic tekhnikums (the present commercial gymnasiums) will be established in Blagoevgrad, Burgas, Dve Mogili (Belen Okoliya), Kolarovgrad, Kyustendil, Lom, Mikhaylovgrad, Pleven, Plovdiv, Ruse, Svishtov, Sliven, Sofia, Stara Zagora, Stalin, Tolbukhin, Turnovo, Khaskovo, and Cherven Bryag. The economic tekhnikum in Plovdiv will have separate sections for boys and girls and will conduct night

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classes. The economic tekhnikum in Sofia will have separate sections for boys and girls, as well as coeducational and night classes. Later, new economic tekhnikums, will be opened at Gabrovo (this tekhnikum will include a department of industry and capital construction), Pazardzhik, Popovo, and Yambol (these tekhnikums will include departments of agricultural accounting, state and cooperative trade, and industry and capital construction).

Forestry tekhnikums will be established at Bansko, Vel'ngard, and Teteven. All of these tekhnikums will include departments of forestry and transportation and exploitation of lumber.

Tekhnikums for woodworking and interior decoration will be established at Pleven, Plovdiv, Ruse, Sofia, Kyustendil, Stalin, and Tryavna.

A tekhnikum for means of transportation will be established at Pavlikeni; it will include departments for bodymaking and automobile assembly.

Tekhnikums for tailoring will be established at Sofia, Plovdiv, and Ruse; for dietetics, at Sofia and Stalin; for meat processing, at Sofia; for construction, at Sofia, Vratsa, Turnovo, Kolarovgrad, Stalin, and Stara Zagora; for mining, at Dimitrovo; for building construction, at Bratsigovo; and for stoneworking, at Kunino.

According to type and location, the industrial schools are distributed as follows: for metalworking and electricity, at Lom, Pleven, Ruse, Silistra, Sofia, Dimitrovo, Samokov, Stara Zagora, Stalin, Blagoevgrad, Sliven, Dimitrovgrad, Pazardzhik, Popovo, and Plovdiv; for woodworking, at Kotel, Velogradchik, Berkovitsa, Batak, Vratsa, Rekitovo, Smolyan, Etropole, Tolbukhin, Kazanluk, Sliven, and Sofia; for tailoring, at Burgas, Vratsa, Gabrovo, Vidin, Kazanluk, Kolarovgrad, Kurdzhali, Lovech, Lom, Sofia, Pazardzhik, Ustovo, Byala Slatina, Gorna Oryzkhovitsa, Dimitrovo, Karnobat, Kyustendil, Stalin, Petrich, Sliven, Silistra, and Turgovishte; for graphic arts, at Sofia; for leather products, at Kolarovgrad; for silk textiles, at Kharmanli; for cartwrighting, at Razgrad and Razlog; for shoemaking, at Mikhaylovgrad, Plovdiv, and Gabrovo; for ceramics, at Troyan; for breadbaking, at Sofia; for building construction, at Trun; for tailoring and shoemaking, at Stanke Dimitrov; for tailoring and dietetics, at Stara Zagora, Tolbukhin, Khaskovo, Yambol, and Pleven; for dietetics, at Plovdiv, Ruse, and Sofia; and for linen and hemp processing, at Pazardzhik.

Tekhnikums and industrial schools will accept students who have completed elementary school. Tekhnikums for construction and industrial chemistry, as well as the mining tekhnikum at Dimitrovo, will accept students who have completed the ninth grade of the public schools.

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